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GEAR CASE ASSEMBLY WITH PRESSURE-COMPENSATING

FUNCTION FOR MARINE PROPULSION MACHINE

LETTER OF RECORD

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Sir:

Applicant notes the following for the record, in relation to the drawings in the application.

- 1). Thirteen (13) drawings were submitted for review with the above-mentioned application.
- 2). An Office Action dated 19 June 2007 was received without mention of the drawings.
- 3). The Notice of Allowance dated 10 October 2007 was received without formal indication that the examiner approved the drawings.
- 4). As no objection was made to the originally filed drawings, it is applicant's understanding and belief that the drawings have been approved.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully supmitted,

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